IAP15 Rec'd PCT/DTO 1/ ALIC 2006 U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER **FORM PTO-1390** 4865-90 **MODIFIED** U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 C.F.R. 1.5) TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) 10/586,495 **CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371** PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE PCT/IT2005/000098 **23 February 2005** 27 February 2004 TITLE OF INVENTION APPARATUS FOR APPLYING AND REMOVING CLOSING MEANS FROM AN END PORTION OF A TUBULAR ELEMENT AND THE **USE THEREOF IN PERITONEAL DIALYSIS** APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US **CERASOLI** Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information: This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371. This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371. 冈 2. This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include 3. items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below. The U.S. has been elected (Article 31). 4. A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2). claims), pages specification, claims & abstract (sheets drawings). is attached hereto (a. has been communicated by the International Bureau. b. is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US). C. An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)) 6. pages specification, claims & abstract (claims), sheets drawings, is attached hereto (page Certificate of Translation). has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3) 7. are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). a. have been communicated by the International Bureau. b. have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. C. have not been made and will not be made. d. An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3). 8. 9. An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4). a. Declaration was submitted to the International Bureau during International Phase (see copies of Declaration (page b. Form PCT/RO/101 and Form PCT/IB/371 and first page of printed publication acknowledging receipt thereof attached). An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 10. U.S.C. 371(c)(5). Items 11 To 20 below concern document(s) or information included: An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 C.F.R. 1.97 and 1.98. 11. An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 3.28 and 3.31 is included. 12. A FIRST preliminary amendment. 13. a. A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment. b. An Application Data Sheet under 37 C.F.R. § 1.76. 14. A substitute specification. 15. A change of power of attorney and/or address letter. 16. A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821-1.825. 17. A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 18. A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 19. 20. Other items or information.

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☐ The following fees are submitted:		
BASIC NATIONAL FEE (37 C.F.R. 1.492(a)(1)-(5):		
21. Basic national fee		
22. Examination Fee		
\$200.00 (1633)/\$100.00 (2633) \$ \$0 (1640/2640)		
23. Search Fee		
\$400 (1642)/\$200 (2642)		
\$500.00 (1632)/\$250.00 (2632)		
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Additional fee for specification and drawings filed in paper over 100 sheets (excluding sequence listing or computer program listing filed in an electronic medium). The fee is \$250 for each additional 50 sheets of paper or fraction thereof.		
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Total Claims minus 20 0 X \$50.00 (1615)/ \$25.00 (2615) \$		
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MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS(S) (if applicable) \$360.00 (1616)/\$180.00 (2616)	0.00	
Petition is hereby made to extend the current due date so as to cover the filing date of this paper and attachment(s): One Month Extension \$120.00 (1251)/\$60.00 (2251); Two Month Extensions \$450.00 (1252)/\$225.00 (2252); Three Month Extensions \$1020.00 (1253/\$510.00 (2253); Four Month Extensions		
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☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Processing fee of \$130.00 (1618), for furnishing the English Translation later than ☐ 20 ☐ 30		
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Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 C.F.R. 1.21(h). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 C.F.R. 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 (8021) per property + \$\$	40.00	
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